

Charity number: 1200018

SHROPSHIRE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
UNAUDITED
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023



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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Trustees S Graham, Chair (appointed 10 August 2022)
 A Harris (appointed 10 August 2022)
 B Powell (appointed 10 August 2022)
 S Roberts (appointed 10 August 2022)
 J Themans (appointed 1 October 2022)

**Charity registered
number** 1200018

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Accountants WR Partners
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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Charity for the period 10 August 2022 to 31 March 2023.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The Foundations principal objective is the promotion of any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community or any part thereof in the county of Shropshire (including the borough of Telford and Wrekin) and its immediate neighbourhood; and in particular the advancement of education, the protection of good health (both mental and physical) and the relief of poverty and sickness.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Strategies for achieving objectives

Ongoing funding is necessary to support the above objectives. This is achieved through the following channels:

The development of endowments, invested by our Investment Board to achieve growth to allow for continuous funds to flow to the those who need it most in our community.

Donations from business support the development of the foundation facilitating business development, market awareness and partnerships with local charities and other stakeholders.

Sponsorship and Grants from business and individuals have been garnered to support personnel development and cover the cost of fundraising events.

To generate funding that flows immediately to provide immediate impact.

Achievements and performance

a. Main achievements of the Charity

A robust structure has been established; our Patron, experienced Trustees, Volunteers, and arms length investment board and grants award panel, possess excellent knowledge of the County's charity sector.

Policies have been developed to ensure compliance with Charity Commission guidelines. Effective governance has been implemented across all activity areas to ensure transparency, impartiality and prudent management.

A burgeoning social media presence allows all stakeholders greater visibility in terms of upcoming events, new communications and fundraising activities.

IT infrastructure development has been significant with investment into both customer and financial management software.

Endowment generation and growth has put us in a strong position to initiate grant funding according to the wishes of benefactors.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

In line with Charity Commission guidance, the Board ensures that a minimum of six months running costs are held at any time.

SCF's objective, however, is to hold up to an equivalent of one year's running costs in unrestricted reserves to enable grant making activity to work in a planned and sustainable way. This recognises that there could be curtailment to grant making activity from periodic gaps in funding, as funding can be less predictable.

The total reserves at year end were £611,840, of which £601,676 was within endowed funds and £1,417 within restricted. Free reserves held at year end amounted to £8,747.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Shropshire Community Foundation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered with the Charity Commission, charity number 1200018, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

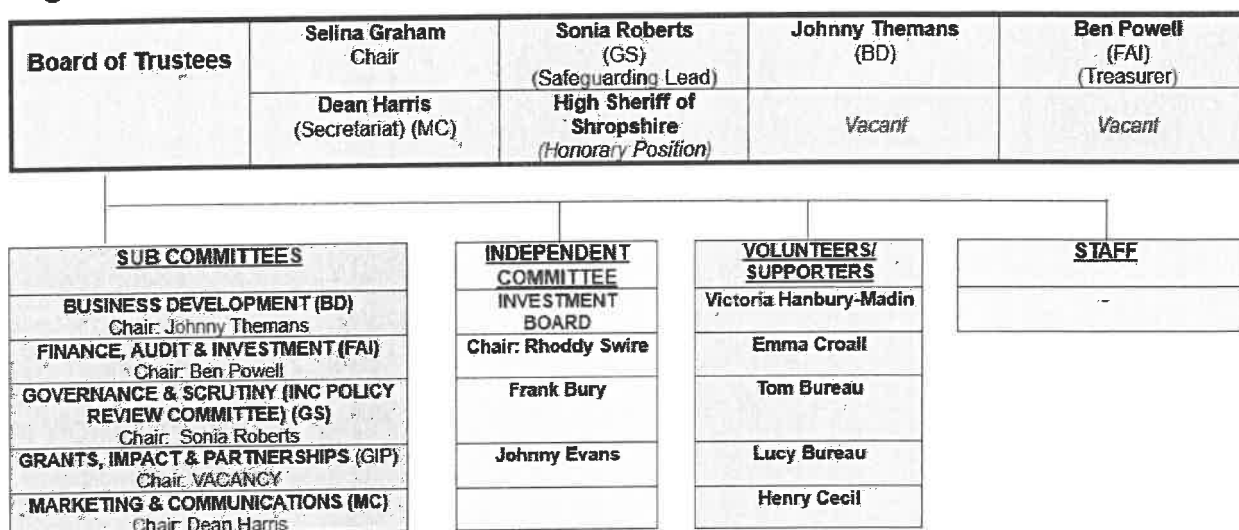
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**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Structure, governance and management (continued)

c. Organisational structure and decision-making policies

Organisation Chart



d. Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

On appointment, a newly elected trustee must read the Governing Document for Shropshire Community Foundation and read, understand and accept the duties and responsibilities of a trustee as outlined in the Charity Commission booklets CC3-The Essential Trustee: what you need to know, and CC3 (a): Responsibilities of Charity Trustees.

e. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Plans for future periods

The Trustees intend to expand the number of Trustees as the Foundation continues to gather momentum in terms of achieving its objectives.

Finalising the transfer of further endowment monies is progressing on numerous fronts.

Business Development continues to be enhanced by the Foundation's Investment in Communities initiative which has generated donations from the business community to fund core costs and to facilitate personnel and infrastructure development.

Compliance and governance oversight will continue to be at the forefront of Trustees' activities.

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



.....
S Graham
(Chair of Trustees)

Date: 18.11.2023

SHROPSHIRE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Shropshire Community Foundation ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the period ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Independent Examiner's Statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:

S J Tweedie

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Dated:

21 November 2023

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Note	Endowment funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £	Restricted funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £	Unrestricted funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £	Total funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	601,676	3,750	13,936	619,362
Total income and endowments		601,676	3,750	13,936	619,362
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	-	2,333	5,189	7,522
Total expenditure		-	2,333	5,189	7,522
Net movement in funds		601,676	1,417	8,747	611,840
Reconciliation of funds:					
Net movement in funds		601,676	1,417	8,747	611,840
Total funds carried forward		601,676	1,417	8,747	611,840

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the period.

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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**BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Note	2023 £
Fixed assets		
Investments	8	516,097
		<u>516,097</u>
Current assets		
Debtors	9	87,975
Cash at bank and in hand		9,028
		<u>97,003</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(1,260)
		<u>95,743</u>
Net current assets		<u>95,743</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>611,840</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>611,840</u></u>
Charity funds		
Endowment funds	11	601,676
Restricted funds	11	1,417
Unrestricted funds	11	8,747
		<u>611,840</u>
Total funds		<u><u>611,840</u></u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



.....
S Graham
(Chair of Trustees)

Date: 18.11.2023

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Period ended 31 March 2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities	
Net cash used in operating activities	525,125
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Cash flows from investing activities	
Purchase of investments	(516,097)
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Net cash used in investing activities	(516,097)
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Cash flows from financing activities	
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Net cash provided by financing activities	-
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Change in cash and cash equivalents in the period	9,028
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Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	9,028
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The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. General information

Shropshire Community Foundation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales, No 1200018. The registered office is at Belmont House, Sitka Drive, Shrewsbury Business Park, Shrewsbury SY2 6LD.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Shropshire Community Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

2.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance Sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

2.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance Sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Statement of Financial Activities.

2.5 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

2.6 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.7 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.8 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

2.9 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are money or other assets given to the Charity for investment. Only the investment income can be spent.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Endowment funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £	Restricted funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £	Unrestricted funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £	Total funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £
Donations				
Donations	-	-	11,136	11,136
Sponsorship	-	3,750	-	3,750
Subtotal detailed disclosure	-	3,750	11,136	14,886
Grants	601,676	-	2,800	604,476
Subtotal	601,676	-	2,800	604,476
	601,676	3,750	13,936	619,362

4. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Restricted funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £	Unrestricted funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £	Total Period ended 31 March 2023 £
Charitable Activities	2,333	5,189	7,522

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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5. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Support costs Period ended 31 March 2023 £	Total funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £
Charitable Activities	7,522	7,522

Analysis of support costs

	Charitable Activities Period ended 31 March 2023 £	Total funds Period ended 31 March 2023 £
Advertising & Marketing	3,634	3,634
Bank Fees	25	25
Insurance	220	220
Regulatory	50	50
Professional Support Costs	2,333	2,333
Governance costs	1,260	1,260
	7,522	7,522

6. Independent examiner's remuneration

	Period ended 31 March 2023 £
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	1,260

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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7. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the period, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits.

During the period ended 31 March 2023, no Trustee expenses have been incurred.

8. Fixed asset investments

	Other fixed asset investments £
Cost or valuation	
Additions	516,097
At 31 March 2023	<u>516,097</u>
Net book value	
At 31 March 2023	<u>516,097</u>

The balance of the fixed asset investment was held as a cash balance at year end, prior to being invested after year end.

9. Debtors

	2023 £
Due within one year	
Prepayments and accrued income	2,396
Grants receivable	85,579
	<u>87,975</u>

10. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £
Accruals and deferred income	<u>1,260</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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11. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current period

	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds			
General Funds	13,936	(5,189)	8,747
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Endowment funds			
Zac's Trust Fund	516,097	-	516,097
High Sheriffs Fund	85,579	-	85,579
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	601,676	-	601,676
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Restricted funds			
Employment costs	3,750	(2,333)	1,417
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Total of funds	619,362	(7,522)	611,840
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Endowed funds consist of two separate funds.

- Monies held in Zac's Trust to provide financial support to children and young people who have a diagnosis of cancer and are in need
- The High Sheriffs' Fund is to provide financial support to any person, or group of people in need, or organisation that works to relieve the needs in the ceremonial county of Shropshire, or any area outside of the ceremonial county of Shropshire at the advisers' discretion.

The funds held within the restricted Employment costs fund relates to monies received through Airband sponsorship towards the employment costs of the charity.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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12. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

	Endowment funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Fixed asset investments	-	-	516,097	516,097
Current assets	601,676	1,417	(506,090)	97,003
Creditors due within one year	-	-	(1,260)	(1,260)
Total	<u>601,676</u>	<u>1,417</u>	<u>8,747</u>	<u>611,840</u>

13. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	Period ended 2023 £
Net income for the period (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	611,840
Adjustments for:	
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(87,975)
Increase in creditors	1,260
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>525,125</u>

14. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2023 £
Cash in hand	9,028
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>9,028</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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15. Analysis of changes in net debt

	Cash flows	At 31 March
	£	2023
		£
Cash at bank and in hand	9,028	9,028
	<u>9,028</u>	<u>9,028</u>

16. Related party transactions

The Charity has not entered into any related party transaction during the period, nor are there any outstanding balances owing between related parties and the Charity at 31 March 2023.